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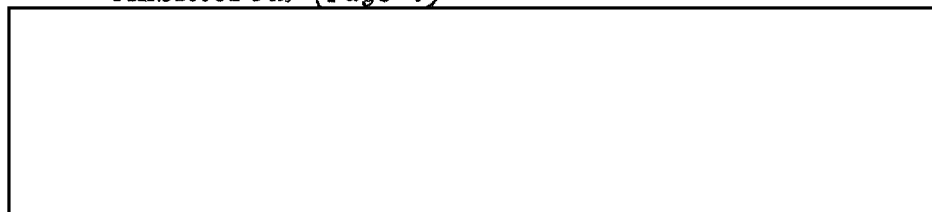
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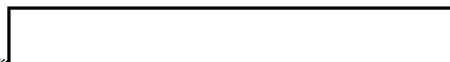
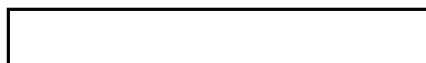
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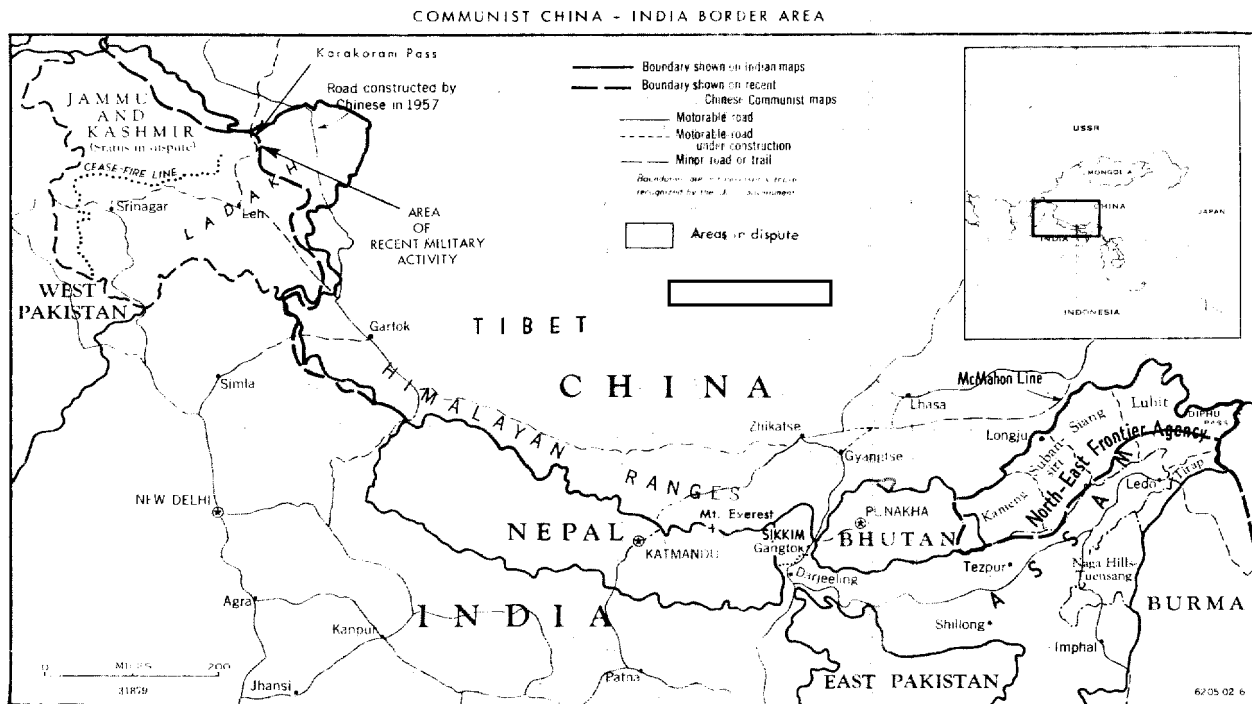


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India-Pakistan: Relations between India and Pakistan seem headed for a period of tensions more serious than any since 1957. The concurrence of the new flare-up over Kashmir with Hindu-Moslem communal disturbances in East and West Bengal, implementation of river projects in border zones, and Pakistan's negotiations with Communist China on border demarcation is embittering the official and public atmosphere in the subcontinent.

The announcement of Pakistan's agreement to negotiate with Communist China a border demarcation in the Hunza area of Kashmir, following disclosure of the engagement of Indian border units against Chinese patrols in Ladakh, will be especially resented in India. This action will cause New Delhi to be more recalcitrant than ever in any moves to solve the Kashmir dispute and other Indo-Pakistani problems.

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[redacted]

France-Algeria: (Minister for Algerian Affairs Joxe has told a US Embassy officer in Paris that he intends to seek De Gaulle's authorization to meet with provisional Algerian government (PAG) officials in hopes of dispelling their doubts regarding the French desire to restore order.)

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(The PAG on 3 May again publicly warned Paris that "unforeseeable consequences" could follow unless OAS terrorism were halted. The PAG is probably under considerable pressure from the Algerian National Army (ALN) headquarters and PAG cadres within Algeria, who are finding it increasingly difficult to restrain the Moslem population.)

(The French Government's announcement on 4 May that the self-determination referendum and Algerian independence will be achieved on schedule was probably intended to counter this kind of pressure. This announcement, followed by the arrest of French officials in Oran for alleged complicity in OAS bombings, indicates increased French determination to implement recently announced anti-OAS policies.) [redacted]

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Guatemala: Representatives of nonpartisan business and professional groups agreed on 2 May to help President Ydigoras implement his anti-Communist reform program. Until the cooperation of these business and professional leaders was obtained, Ydigoras has been forced to rely almost entirely on the military for support.

The group agreed that the stopgap military cabinet appointed by Ydigoras on 26 April should remain for an unspecified period until the program gets under way. The group will then nominate a slate of three men for each ministry from which the President is to select a cabinet.

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[redacted] High Commissioner Fouchet's 3 May warning to Europeans that continued terrorism may produce bloody Moslem retaliation suggests that the government now may attempt to frighten the Europeans into accepting the accords.]

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[redacted] Consul General Porter in Algiers notes that French authorities there have been conspicuously unsuccessful in conveying to the public the impression that they are making a determined and vigorous effort to stamp out the OAS. Porter also points out that although the Provisional Executive is functioning at Rocher Noir, this artificial enclave is not Algeria, and most of the steps toward implementation of the accords have been possible only because the French and Moslem officials concerned are guarded from terrorists by the largest concentration of security forces ever seen in Algeria.]

[redacted] The consul general is puzzled by French failure to provide protection for such an obvious OAS target as the nearly 1,000 Moslem dockworkers. A booby-trapped automobile exploded among them on 2 May, causing many casualties. He further notes that it is impossible to determine the exact number of deaths, since many gravely wounded were immediately removed by Moslems to "hospitals" in the Moslem quarter, where many probably died because of lack of proper facilities. Moslems reportedly refuse to be taken to French hospitals, which they consider practically controlled by the OAS, and an 1,800-bed hospital in Oran is said to be operating at only 50 percent of capacity.]

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